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"A community is like a ship; everyone ought to be prepared to take the helm"

-Henrik Ibsen-

STUDENT IN THE SPOTLIGHT, GSBPP



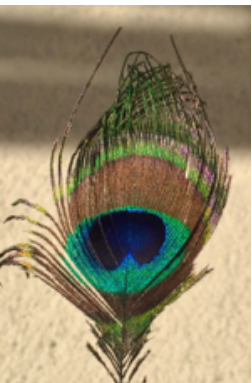
LCDR Wendell Stephens is an extremely busy and dependable volunteer both within the Monterey Bay Supply Corps Foundation (SCF) and local Monterey community. Within the Chapter, he has volunteered his time to assist with the chapter's semi-annual fundraiser working the Big Sur Marathon and Half-Marathon T-shirt hand out. During this event, volunteers take race credentials (with RFID tags), participant race day shirts, and other documentation and place them in race-day bags for more than 10,000 participants. Wendell Stephens, along with other Navy Post Graduate School (NPS) Supply Corps Officer Students, was instrumental in helping the foundation chapter raise \$1,800 dollars just in 2015. This semi-annual event is a mainstay in the local area and LCDR Stephens has established himself as the "go-too" person receiving many accolades from Big Sur Board Members and event organizers for his energy, knack for getting things started, and assistin the race participants. LCDR Stephens also volunteered at the annual AT & T Pebble Beach National PRO-AM this year, and continues to volunteer his time as he recently sponsored foreign NPS students who are making their first visit to the United States as students.

In addition to chapter and campus support, Wendell is also heavily involved in the local community. Every weekend, Wendell and his family volunteer two hours of their time at a local park preparing food for the homeless through Pass the Word Ministries outreach program. During these early mornings, he cooks meals and serves as many as 100 people. This community initiative has taken steps to provide homeless men and women with sleeping bags, tarps, donated clothing, haircuts, toiletries, gas cards, and cell phone minutes. Due to his overwhelming commitment to community service and his dedication to the mission over the past seven months, Wendell was recently asked to join the board of Pass the Word Ministries and selected unanimously.

Student in the Spotlight is by peer nomination. Look for next month's Student in the Spotlight from GSEAS.

THE PEACOCKS ARE BACK

The Peacocks are back! Due to high demand, two male peacocks are back on campus. They are currently getting acclimated within the courtyards of Hermann Hall. If you stop by to see them, remember not to get too close and allow them some space; they are still wild birds. The President's Student Council will be teaming up with the Public Affairs Office to formally name our two new mascots. Keep a look out for a naming contest coming soon!



NPS STUDENTS PLAN FOR NAVY BIRTHDAY

Planning for the Navy's 240th Birthday is well underway! In addition to the formal birthday celebration, the Monterey Peninsula Navy Ball will be Oct 17th. Two NPS students, LCDR McNitt and LCDR DeHann, have stepped up as lead for the Navy Ball committee. The committee has been hard at work to ensure a spectacular evening by selecting a venue and raising funds through various events such as doughnut sales and bagging groceries at the Commissary. The committee is proud to announce that the guest speaker guest is MAJ Dennis 'D.J.' Skelton, currently an NPS student.

Tickets are now available; check out the Navy Ball Facebook page to learn more! <https://www.facebook.com/montereypeninsulanavyball>. Any questions, please contact a committee member: navypeninsula@gmail.com. LCDR Jenn McNitt, LCDR Laura DeHaan, LCDR David (Scott) Cohick, Jocelyn Pulley, IT1 Joshua Camacho, OS2 Alex McCrea.

SSG SELECTEES!

A select group of seven Naval Postgraduate School students will soon be working directly for the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) on some of the biggest issues facing the Navy thanks to their selection to this year's CNO Strategic Studies Group. Retired Vice Adm. James Wisecup is the CNO SSG Director, and traveled to NPS to interview several candidates, along with NPS President retired Vice Adm. Ronald A. Route and Dean of Students Capt. Matthew Vandersluis. Wisecup, a former CNO Fellow himself, describes the "spark" that he was looking for in SSG candidates. "For me as the Director of the SSG, I want people who aren't afraid to stick their nose into a problem, say this is a problem, and this is how we can solve it," explained Wisecup.



This year's SSG35 Director Fellows, and alternates, from NPS are U.S. Navy officers Lt. Luis Aybar, Lt. Owen Brooks, Lt. James Carbaugh, Lt. Cmdr. Drew Hall, Lt. j.g. Allison Hogarth, Lt. Kyle Kendall, Lt. Karl Kjono, Lt. Andres Otero, and Lt. Cmdr. Nate Robbins.

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UPCOMING Events

SEP 21

Suicide Prevention, All Navy, King Hall. 1000-1100.

SEP 25

Graduation

SEP 25

Fall Fun Run, 5K Hosted by MWR, 3pm in front of Hermann Hall, register by 2:45 day of, Free for all participants.

SEP 26

Honor Flight Program, Greet WWII veterans and show your support as they return from a trip to DC. Contact Capt Jamie Ellis for more info: jellis1@nps.edu

SEP 26

Carmel Valley Gem and Mineral Show Monterey County Fairgrounds, 10am-3pm. \$4, kids free, register with ITT ahead of time.

SEP 29

Graduate Writing Center: Writing Fundamentals. Required for all new students. 1500-1700, King Hall.

SEP-OCT

(Wanted) Community Leadership Volunteers

- Monterey High School
- Carmel High School
- Seaside High School
- Pacific Grove High School
- Alvarez High School

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OCT 6

Student Council Meeting, Dudley Knox Library Room 263A second floor at 1500. (if on GMT day, directly following the GMT)

OCT 8

New Spouse Orientation, Barbara McNitt Ballroom, 6-8pm. All students and faculty are welcome

OCT 12

Columbus Day

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